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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, NL

SUBJ: ENERGY: RISE IN DUTCH PRICES OF GASOLINE AND  
OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

1. AS OF 2 MARCH GON PERMITTED RETAIL GASOLINE PRICES  
TO RISE 10.3 DUTCH CENTS PER LITER, COMING TO 98 CENTS  
FOR SUPER AND 95.2 CENTS FOR REGULAR. (ONE DUTCH GUILDER  
EQUALS ABOUT US \$0.36). MINISTER OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS INFORMED  
PARLIAMENT THIS INCREASE WAS  
VIRTUALLY ENOUGH TO COVER INCREASED CRUDE COST OF THIS  
PROJECT AND FURTHER INCREASE WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED IN NEAR  
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FUTURE UNLESS CRUDE PRICES GO UP AGAIN.

2. OTHER AUTHORIZED PRICE RISES WERE AS FOLLOWS:

A. KERSENE UP 5.3 CENTS PER LITER TO PRICES VARYING FROM 45.5 CENTS IN SMALL RETAIL SALES TO 35.5 CENT IN BULK.

B. HOME HEATING OIL UP 5 CENTS PER LITER TO ABOUT 32.6 CENTS.

C. DIESEL OIL UP 4.7 CENTS PER LITER TO 53.4 CENTS.

D. HEAVY FUEL OIL UP BY 81.30 GUILDERS PER METRIC TON, NOW PRICED FROM 171.70 TO 180.40 GUILDERS PER TON DEPENDING ON QUANTITY AND DELIVERY POINT.

E. AUTOMOTIVE PROPANE PRICE SET AT 37.5 CENTS PER LITER.

3. MINISTER MENTIONED THERE WOULD BE TALKS WITH OIL COMPANIES REGARDING POSSIBLE FURTHER INCREASES IN PRICES OF PRODUCTS OTHER THAN GASOLINE ON BASIS OF PRESENT CRUDE OIL PRICES. HE STATED THAT "FAVORABLE PROFIT DEVELOPMENT" OF OIL COMPANIES IN 1973 WOULD ALSO BE DISCUSSED.  
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